



NORTH FORK RANCHERIA OF MONO INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

Tribal Vice-Chairperson Elaine Fink, called to order the special meeting of the North Fork Rancheria at 9:00 a.m. on **October 18, 2018** in North Fork, CA.

II. Moment of Silent Prayer

A moment of Silent Prayer was observed.

III. Roll Call

Tribal Secretary, Katrina Guitierrez conducted a roll call. The following Council members were present: Elaine Fink, Katrina Guitierrez, and Maryann McGovran. Edward Polkenhorn. Gary Walker via phone 11:42 a.m. and off 12:27 p.m.

Staff present:

Gary Nicholes – CAO

Teri Haggard – CFO

David Falls – TANF Director

Christina McDonald – EDP Director

Katie Parra – EPD Assistant

Guest present:

Sandra Clark

IV. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to approve the agenda. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 3/0/0

V. Approval of previous meeting minutes

The meeting minutes were tabled until tribal council review.

VI. New Business

a) David Falls – TANF Director

1. Parents and Teachers 2018-2019 Proposal

Mr. Falls reported that Parents as Teachers is an international non-profit organization that promotes early development, learning, and health of young children by supporting and engaging their parents and caregivers.

Treasurer McGovran motioned to continue the funding in the amount of \$19,165.00. Secretary Guitierrez seconded. Mc 3/0/0

2. Harvest Gathering Celebration

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to approve the amount of \$6,200.00. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 3/0/0

3. Native Youth Empowerment

Mr. Falls reported that Family Wellness staff will facilitate a Native American high school youth group focused on positive youth development.

Treasurer McGovran motioned to approve the amount of \$15,000.00. Secretary Guitierrez seconded. Mc 3/0/0

4. Request to issue a key

By consensus, Tribal Council approved for a Wellness Coordinator to receive a key.

5. Request for Advisory Board to do a self-monitoring of TANF Files before audit.

Tribal Council denied the request. Tribal Council will send an email explaining the reason of denial to the Advisory Chair.

Treasurer McGovran motioned to go into executive session #1 @ 9:20 a.m. Secretary Guitierrez. Mc 3/0/0

TANF

Tribal Council denied the request.

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to come out @ 9:36 a.m. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 3/0/0

b) Teri Haggard – CFO

Mrs. Haggard reported that the Store Manager will start on Wednesday October 24, 2018.

Tribal Council and Mrs. Haggard held a discussion about the set-up in the store, the costs of items and tobacco what would sell and what would not, etc. A proposed date of November 17, 2018 is scheduled for the Grand Opening.

c) Gary Nicholes - CAO

Mr. Nicholes reported that he has a proposed date of December 14, 2018 for the Year End Gathering. A discussion wash held regarding relocating the party at a different venue which would eliminate the clean-up and set-up by staff that way, it would be more enjoyable for all. Mr. Nicholes will get a quote and bring back to Tribal Council.

d) Christina McDonald – EPD Director

1. Cultural Apprentice

By consensus, Tribal Council approved the position.

2. National Park Service

By consensus, Tribal Council approved to post tribal contact information on the Tribal Research Policies, Processes, and Protocols.

3. Red Cross – Tribal Summit Update

Katie Parra gave an update on the Planning team for the Emergency Management Summit. The focus this year will be on mental health, spiritual health, medical emergencies, etc. A proposed of March 2019 is scheduled with a 3-day seminar in Tule River.

4. All Tribes Meeting update

Ms. McDonald gave an update on the meeting held on October 10, 2018.

e) **Secretary Guitierrez**

1. Oath – S. Clark

At this time, Secretary Guitierrez swore in Sandra Clark to the Cultural Committee.

2. Resolution No. 18-67

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to adopt Resolution No. 18-67 A Resolution appointing Sandra Clark to the Cultural Committee of the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California for the term beginning on 10/04/2018 through 10/04/2022

3. Resolution No. 18-68

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to adopt Resolution No. 18-68 A Resolution authorizing the renewal of Tribal Membership in the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) for 2018-2019. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 4/0/0

f) **Treasurer McGovran**

1. Emergency Resolution on ICWA

Tribal Council approved for Maureen Geary to do a resolution for NCAI regarding the recent decision on the Indian Child Welfare Act deeming it unconstitutional in Texas.

VII. Unfinished Business

a) **Secretary Guitierrez**

1. Resolution No. 18-65 (A) revised – Addition of descendants.

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to adopt Resolution No. 18-65 (A) A Resolution authorizing the amendment of Resolution No. 18-65 enrollment of eight (8) new Tribal Citizens of the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians. Councilman Polkenhorn seconded. Mc 4/0/0

b) **Treasurer McGovran**

1. Election Statute Amendments

A discussion was held regarding the election statute and how it can be amended at a general council meeting. Treasurer McGovran suggested to get a workshop for the statute and have the citizens come and have them receive some sort of monetary gain for attending. A discussion was held regarding how tribal council tried before and having a monetary value to change the constitution and how paying the citizens to vote would be beneficial.

2. Update on Constitution Workshop

Treasurer McGovran gave an update on the Constitution Workshop that three council members attended. The above discussion about paying for citizens to vote was discussed at the workshop.

3. Pending Action Items

Treasurer McGovran suggested to bring back the pending items and to add more unfinished things to the list. The following dates were set:

Tribal Council Bylaws – 11/5/18 & 11/12/18

Enrollment Committee Policy and Procedure – 11/22/18 & 11/29/18

Treasurer McGovran motioned to go into executive session # 2 @ 11:30 a.m. Councilman Polkenhorn seconded. Mc 4/0/0

VIII. Executive Session

a) Treasurer McGovran

1. Tribal Council Communication

A discussion was held.

2. Current Tribal Council Stipend

At this time, Chairman Walker was on the call.

Treasurer McGovran motioned that Tribal Council members collect a stipend of \$200.00 per meeting with a cap of \$2,000.00. Chairman Walker seconded. Mc 4/1/0

3. Tribal Council Stipend Resolution

A discussion was held.

4. Current Tribal Council Officers

A discussion was held.

Treasurer McGovran motioned that each Tribal Council members received a year-end bonus in the amount of \$3,580.00 on November 02, 2018. Councilman Polkenhorn seconded. Mc 5/0/0

Secretary Guitierrez motioned for Elaine Fink as Chairwoman, Edward Polkenhorn as Vice-Chairman and Gary Walker as Council Member. Mc 5/0/0

5. Election Board Members

A discussion was held.

b) ICWA Resolution No. 18-66

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to adopt Resolution No. 18-66 A Resolution authorizing the enrollment of one (1) new Tribal Citizen of the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 4/0/0

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to come out of executive session # 2 @ 12:50 p.m. Councilman Polkenhorn seconded. Mc 4/0/0

IX. Mail / Travel

a) Squirrel Cage Theater Request

Secretary Guitierrez motioned to do a full page ad in the amount of \$100.00. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 4/0/0

b) Other –

Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving – 11/21- off

Christmas – 12/24 – off

New Years – 12/31 – off

X. Next Meeting – October 18, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

XI. Adjournment

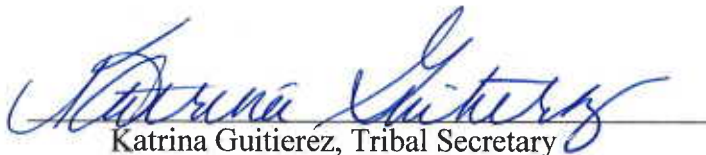
Secretary Guitierrez motioned to adjourn @ 12:58 p.m. Treasurer McGovran seconded. Mc 4/0/0


Minutes submitted by: **Katrina Guitierrez – 10/22/18** 

COUNCIL APPROVAL

At a meeting of the Tribal Council of the North Fork Rancheria, call and convened on the 1st day of **November, 2018**, at which a legal quorum was present, these minutes were approved as presented by a vote of **3 For 0 Against 0 Abstaining**.

DATED this 6th day of **November, 2018**.


Katrina Guitierrez, Tribal Secretary


Edward Polkenhorn, Tribal Vice-
Chairperson